

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 266

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Gary "Spark" Short upon his induction into the Clay County Sports Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly pay tribute to those gifted athletes, coaches, and administrators who have attained the very pinnacle of sporting achievement; and

WHEREAS, Gary "Spark" Short is one such paragon athlete, who was recently inducted into the Clay County Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, a legend in the Celina High School football program thanks to his stellar play as a quarterback, Mr. Short is known as one of the most effective offensive players in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Short's leadership on the field as starting quarterback culminated in a 17-5 record, earning him All-District honors and the recognition of Industrial Bowl Offensive MVP; and

WHEREAS, his superlative athletic ability also led Celina High School to claim a District 5-A Championship and make the playoffs for the first time in program history; and

WHEREAS, Gary "Spark" Short's stunning 245-yard, single-game passing mark was topped only by the record of his older brother, Roger, at the time, and collectively during his senior year, Spark Short achieved 945 yards passing and six touchdowns, plus five rushing scores; and

WHEREAS, Gary Short demonstrated leadership, skill, and athleticism throughout his athletic career, and it is fitting that we should honor him on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Gary "Spark" Short upon his induction into the Clay County Sports Hall of Fame and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.